

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

VICTORIA CAREY, MARIE BURRIS,)
MICHAEL KISER, and BRENT NIX,)
individually and on behalf of all others)
similarly situated,)

Plaintiffs,)

v.)

E.I. DUPONT de NEMOURS AND)
COMPANY and THE CHEMOURS)
COMPANY FC, LLC,)

Defendants.)

Case No.: 7:17-CV-00189-D

Case No.: 7:17-CV-00197-D

Case No.: 7:17-CV-00201-D

CAPE FEAR PUBLIC UTILITY)
AUTHORITY,)

Plaintiff,)

v.)

THE CHEMOURS COMPANY FC, LLC,)
et al.,)

Defendants.)

Case No.: 7:17-CV-00195-D

BRUNSWICK COUNTY, a)
governmental entity,)

Plaintiff,)

v.)

DOWDUPONT, INC., et al.,)

Defendants.)

Case No.: 7:17-CV-00209-D

PLAINTIFFS' FIFTH STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court's order of January 4, 2018, and the parties' January 26, February 2, February 9, and February 16 joint status reports, the plaintiffs respectfully submit this status report in connection with the plaintiffs' motion for expedited discovery.

As described in their prior status reports, the parties are engaged in communications to finalize a sampling protocol that the defendants proposed on January 3, 2018. The parties have exchanged detailed letters regarding the terms of the protocol. Most recently, the parties participated in a telephone conference on Monday, February 12, and have continued to engage in email correspondence thereafter, to discuss further details of a sampling protocol. The parties are working cooperatively to resolve the remaining open items for the protocol.

In view of these circumstances, the plaintiffs respectfully desire to file a further update with the Court on or before Friday, March 2, 2018, regarding the status of the parties' discussions.

Dated: February 23, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 23, 2018, I electronically filed the foregoing PLAINTIFFS' FIFTH STATUS REPORT with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to all counsel of record who have made an appearance in the above-captioned cases.

Dated: February 23, 2018

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